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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1

Marketing downed animals is a national disgrace and a moral outrage. Instead of a "quick and humane" end to their lives, these sentient beings are subjected to such cruel practices as being dragged with chains, pushed with heavy machinery and most of the time, left to die an excruciating slow and painful death on stockyard floors. No living being should be subjected to such horrific practices.

It is for these reasons that I am writing to urge the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1, which would prohibit the sale of these sick and injured animals and hopefully, encourage humane handling. After all, that's the least the FDA can do for living beings which are giving up their lives for your dining pleasure.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

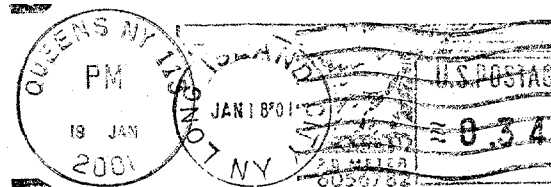


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